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Re: Denial of FOIA received October 22, 2019 for the Wayne County MDIC plan.

Dear Ms. Schmid:

The above FOIA request has been received and reviewed.

You requested:

*“Mich. Comp. Laws Ann. Sec. 780.993 requires that within 180 days of promulgation of a standard by the Michigan Indigent Defense Commission that the “each indigent criminal defense system shall submit a plan to the MDIC for the provision of indigent criminal defense services.” Please provide all plan documentation provided to the MIDC for the eight standards for both initial plans and annual plans.”*

Your request is **denied**. We do not have any records regarding this request. Pursuant to the statute, we are not considered an “indigent criminal defense system.”

### ***Notice of Remedies***

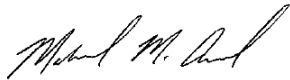
With regard to that portion of your request that has been denied, you have the right to do either of the following:

- (1) Submit a written appeal to the County Executive, which specifically states the word "appeal" and states the reason or reasons the denial should be reversed. Submit your appeal to: Wayne County Corporation Counsel, 500 Griswold, Suite 3127, Detroit, MI 48226, Attn: FOIA APPEAL.

**OR**

- (2) Commence an action in the circuit court to compel disclosure. Should you prevail, you will be entitled to have reasonable attorneys' fees, costs and disbursements assessed against the County by the court. If you or the County prevails in part, the court may, in its discretion, award you all or an appropriate portion of reasonable attorneys' fees, costs, and disbursements. If the court determines that the County has been arbitrary and capricious in its denial, you will also be entitled to punitive damages in the amount of \$1,000.00.

Sincerely,



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